

## SEVEN YEARS AGO AND TO-DAY

Then He Had 6 Mules, \$660  
Cash and Some Equity—Today  
He Has \$20,000 and Owns  
2 Sections of Land.

The story of the wealth of Western Canada cannot be told too often; and the truth will bear repeating. And in telling of it it is hoped that advantage will be taken of the great opportunities that Western Canada offers by those who are today struggling for a mere existence, by those who are occupying lands, high in price and high in rentals.

From grain, live stock and dairying in 1916, there was a return from the three Prairie Provinces of \$258,000,000, or an increase of four million dollars over 1915, and 118 million dollars over 1914.

A prominent Trust Company says: Some of our contract holders have paid off their purchase money on lands bought a year ago out of this year's crop, and what one man can do another can do. Thousands of Southern Alberta farmers harvested an average of 40 to 50 bushels of No. 1 wheat to the acre. These farmers have more real money to spend than any other people on the American Continent. J. D. Johnston, of Bladsworth, Sask., left Johnston County, Kansas, seven years ago. When he left he had \$600 in cash, six mules, some settler's effects and an equity in some prairie land. Mr. Johnston tells his story:

"In my seven years' residence in Saskatchewan, I have raised seven good crops the value of this year's crop alone being Twenty thousand dollars. I now own Two Sections of improved land, 17 horses and mules, 40 cattle, a large steam thrasher and a full line of farm machinery."

We have made five trips to Kansas, one trip to the Pacific Coast and return. We have enjoyed the society of a class of people than whom none better can be found. The climate is healthy and invigorating. The soil is fertile and productive, well adapted for the production of the best quality and large yields of all cereals and vegetables, wild and tame grasses. It is an excellent stock country."

The question of taxes is one that carries with it considerable weight. Coming from a man like Mr. Johnston the same weight should be given the answer. He says:

The tax system especially commends itself to me as being simple, reasonable and just. All direct taxes are levied on the land at its appraised market value, exclusive of improvements thereon. No tax on personal property. This tends to discourage the holding of lands by speculators who prevent its cultivation or improvement, hoping to realize profits from the enhanced value of their holdings due to the industrial activities of the bona fide settlers. It tends to encourage the settlers to rear substantial improvements upon their land without paying a penalty in the form of taxation therefor. It encourages the raising of live stock and the possession of other personal property necessary to the development of the country.

"The laws are well and economically administered. Citizens of the Dominion vote on election of members of parliament and members of the Provincial assembly, while on questions of local improvements and school matters the franchise is exercised by rate payers, irrespective of citizenship.

The people are enterprising, school facilities are good, taxation, just and reasonable. Military service voluntary. Patriotic fervor unsurpassed, law and order the rule, and crime the rare exception. It is the land of banks, schools, telephones, grain elevators, broad, fertile acres, good climate, good citizenship and abounding in opportunities for the industrious man or woman of good morals. In short, the land of promise and fulfillment. I know of no better anywhere."

—Advertisement.

It's surprising how quickly a man recovers from what he imagined was a fatal attack of love.

What costs nothing is worth nothing.

## FRUIT LAXATIVE FOR SICK CHILD

"California Syrup of Figs" can't  
harm tender stomach,  
liver and bowels.

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs" that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without griping.

When cross, irritable, feverish, or breath is bad, stomach sour, look at the tongue, mother! If coated, give a teaspoonful of this harmless "fruit laxative," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When its little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleaning" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a spoonful today saves a sick child tomorrow. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Adv.

A Model Husband.

"Hubby, I want a pair of shoes."

"Very well, my dear. You can get a serviceable pair for about \$7."

"But Mrs. Jibway—"

"Say no more. If Mrs. Jibway pays \$15 for a pair of boots, it naturally follows that you must do the same. Get that kind, my love."

# CONSTRUCTION OF DAIRY HOUSE

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Most dairymen realize that in order to produce milk or cream of the best quality it is desirable to have a dairy house so constructed and equipped that the products may be cared for in the most convenient and satisfactory manner

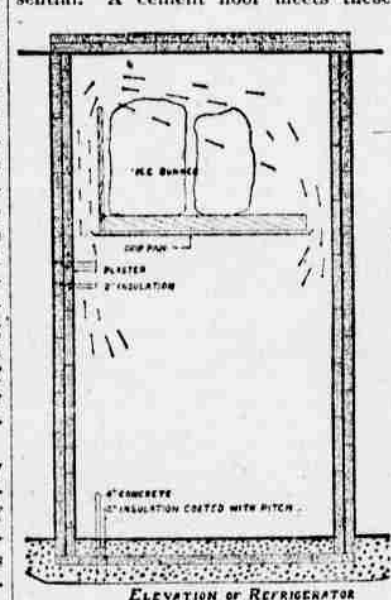
It is impossible to draw a plan of a dairy house that will meet the requirements of every individual case. In order to design a plan properly, it is necessary to know the size of the herd, how the product is to be disposed of (whether as whole milk, cream, or butter), the location of the barn, well, etc. However, there are a few general principles that should be followed in the building of any dairy house.

**Location.**—Although the dairy house should be near enough to the barn to be convenient, it should not be directly connected with the barn because it is then likely to be filled with stable odors which are absorbed by the milk or cream. It is well to leave an open air space of six to ten feet between the barn and the dairy house. Placing the dairy house on the side of the barn opposite the barnyard also lessens the chance of stable odors being absorbed by the milk. Proper drainage from the dairy house is important and must be considered when selecting the location.

**Construction.**—The building material may be drop siding, brick, or concrete, depending upon the investment the builder desires to make. The inside walls should be smooth. Plastered walls are preferable since board walls have a tendency to rot, especially close to the floor. Rotting can be obviated to a certain extent by plastering the walls up to a height of about three feet.

The building should be so partitioned that the milk room, wash room, and boiler room are separate. The rooms should be well lighted by windows, and ventilation should be supplied by an opening placed in the ceiling of each room. Each ventilator should be fitted with some sort of damper to regulate its action.

A solid and impervious floor is essential. A cement floor meets these



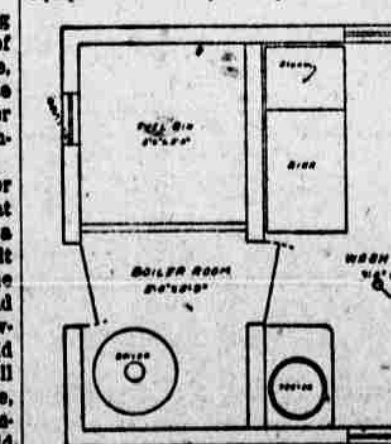
ELEVATION OF REFRIGERATOR

requirements very well. A wooden floor is very unsatisfactory because it is not durable, does not dry quickly, collects filth, and when wet is slippery and hard to work on. The floors should have a good slope leading to drains fitted with proper traps.

**Water Supply.**—An abundance of clean, cold, running water is necessary. If the location is such that water from a municipal water system cannot be supplied, it may be obtained from an elevated tank or by means of a compressed air system.

**Equipment.**—The dairy house equipment depends largely upon the purpose for which the house is to be used. A boiler is the most convenient means of furnishing steam and hot water for washing and sterilizing cans and utensils. An upright boiler of two to four horse power will serve the purpose.

The washroom should contain a sink having a drain board. The drain board may be fitted with steam and water connections so that the cans and pails can be rinsed and steamed after they are washed. It is desirable to have draining racks for cans and pails, and a closet in which to keep utensils. Every dairy house should have a Babcock milk testing outfit, which may be either hand or steam driven. Further equipment will depend upon which of



DAIRY HOUSE FOR MAKING BUTTER

### CONDENSATIONS

Scarlet flowers withstand drought better than any others.

New York city owns in two 22 percent of its water fronts, or about 127 miles.

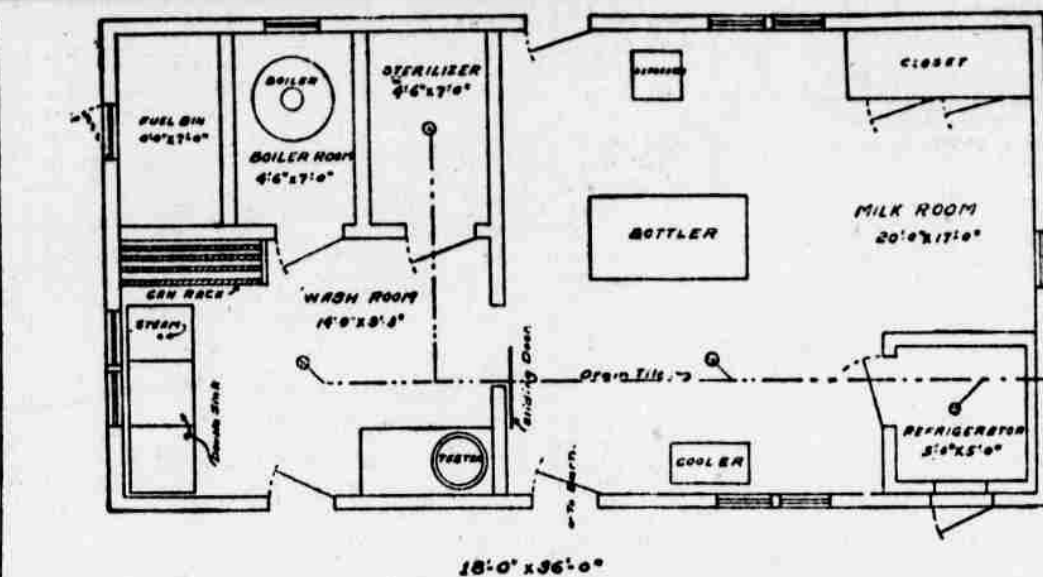
Seppelien, when attacked by airplanes, hurry toward the shelter of cloud banks.

A statue made from yuccamore wood in a good state of preservation in the Museum of Uman vouchers for the durability of the wood.

Prince Edward Island has shipped about \$4,000 worth of blueberry pie stock to American caterers this season. The material is shipped in kegs.

An electric fare box that has been invented for street cars, automatically registers the correct number of fares paid by each kind of coin dropped into it.

Four smaller fans are attached to the guard of a Massachusetts inventor's electric fan, to be driven by the human gas and break up the waves of its action.



DAIRY HOUSE FOR BOTTLING MILK

the following purposes the dairy house is to serve, namely: (1) selling whole milk in bulk; (2) making butter or selling cream; and (3) bottling milk on the farm.

The illustrations shown are designed for dairies with as many as twenty-five cows in the herd. For larger herds it may be necessary to build a dairy house having larger dimensions than those submitted. If it is not intended to have the dairy house fitted with a boiler room and a washroom, it may be made smaller than suggested by eliminating that part of the building devoted to such rooms.

### Dairy House for Selling Whole Milk in Bulk

The milkroom should contain a coil cooler for cooling the milk as quickly as possible after it is drawn. The milk may then be put into eight or ten gallon cans and set in the cooling tank, or the preliminary cooling may be omitted and the cans of warm milk placed in the cooling tank. The cooling tank may be fitted with water connections so that the milk can be kept cold by running water, or the tank may be insulated and fitted with a lid so that ice may be placed in the cooling water. The latter is not necessary if there is a good supply of cold water which will keep the milk at a temperature below 50 degrees Fahrenheit.

A hand-separator may be installed in case of the necessity of skimming surplus milk.

### Dairy House for Selling Cream or Making Butter

Selling cream necessitates the use of a centrifugal separator and a cooling tank or refrigerator. Making butter requires the additional equipment of a churn, and a table upon which to print and wrap the butter. The cooling tank may be built of a size depending on the amount of material to be kept cool. The cream should be cooled directly after skimming and kept cool until it is delivered or ripened for churning, as the case may be.

A gasoline engine may be installed in the washroom to furnish power for separating and churning. If such an engine is used, the exhaust should be piped through the roof of the building in order to avoid the possibility of the gasoline vapor being absorbed by the cream.

### Dairy House for Bottling Milk

For bottling milk on the farm the dairy house should be larger and contain more equipment than is required for the two above-mentioned purposes. A double-compartment sink is convenient for washing and rinsing bottles. There should be a sterilizer for sterilizing all bottles before they are filled. This may be used also to sterilize the milk pails, cooler and the bottles. The sterilizer may be constructed of hollow tile plastered with cement plaster, or of heavy galvanized sheet iron reinforced with angle iron. A drain should be placed in the floor of the sterilizer and a ventilator with a tight-fitting damper in the ceiling. Shelves may be arranged so that they will hold the bottles in an inverted position, or, if cases of the proper kind are used, the bottles can be put into

### HOSPITAL ALONG NEW LINES

New York Institution That Will Be Devoted Exclusively to Cases Calling for Diagnosis.

There is soon to be established in New York the first diagnostic hospital in this country, which will perform in the highly specialized medicine of today the function of the old family physician of 50 years ago, says the New York Times. It will look over a patient suffering from an unidentified ailment, find out what is the matter with him and direct him to a specialist if he can afford it. If not, he will be sent back to the general practitioner under whose care he has been, with a complete diagnosis of his disease, a plan for treating it suggested by competent specialists, and references to recent literature on the subject.

The officers of the New York Diagnostic society, which is planning the new institution, are Dr. M. Joseph Mandelbaum, president; Dr. Otto Hensel, first vice president; Dr. Otto Hensel, second vice president; Dr. Julius Auerbach, treasurer; Dr. Monroe Kunster, secretary. There are about 300 physicians and surgeons among the associate members. About \$100,000 has already been raised by the building fund committee, of which David Frankel is chairman, and only \$50,000 is still required to complete the sum needed for buildings and grounds, which will be in a central part of Manhattan.

It is hoped that the institution will be self-supporting, and Doctor Mandelbaum has worked out a plan of installment payments which he thinks will bring about the result. "I know this will appear startling," he said, "to those who are not in the habit of looking at these matters from the standpoint of dollars and cents. But this is a practical plan and therefore must be considered from the most easily applied financial basis. This method of payment will be especially for those who

are wage earners, whereby if their application for diagnostic services is approved by their employers or others equally responsible, a method of small periodic payments will secure for them the very best diagnostic skill."

The need for such an institution was first pointed out by Dr. Charles H. Mayo in an address before the Catholic Hospital association of Milwaukee. Doctor Mayo expressed the opinion that the one great present day need in the direction of hospital advancement was a hospital devoted exclusively to diagnosis.

**Pattens.** Americans find it more difficult than the English to understand what Dickens means when he says in "David Copperfield": "Women went creaking on the pavement in pattens."

Pattens were an abbreviated form of stilts. The word is also used by builders as the name of the base of a column or pillar, and so, architecturally, the pattern is the support used by a woman to keep her out of the water and mud. From this architectural use has come the secondary application of the word, meaning an arrangement attached to the shoe, so that the walker is raised three or four inches above the solid earth. If the mud and water did not exceed that depth, the shoes were thus kept fairly dry. It appears that pattens were not worn solely by the rich, but were luxuries indulged in by the very poor. In speaking of a person who was not especially speedy, Ben Jonson was the comparison, "You make no more haste now than a beggar upon pattens."

In the ballad of "Farmer's Old Wife" occurs this startling expression: "She up with her pattens, and beat out their brains."

**Altogether Different.** There are lots of smart people in the world, but smartness isn't always intelligence. Smartness is something a fellow may have to show. Intelligence is something everybody can see.

**Skeptical.** Mrs. Naylor—How's the baby over at your house, Bobby? Cut his teeth yet?

Bobby—Aw, go on! You can't cut a tooth. You can break it, but you can't cut it.—Boston Evening Transcript.

**Their Similarity.** Philosophers and snail thieves are alike in one respect.

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**Railroads regard the gardens around their stations as an important feature. Japan has a golfish farm that has been in continuous operation since 1763.**

**Should the automobile top become dirty, use a stiff brush. To remove mud spots or oil, use water and castile soap.**

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## HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

As a means for overcoming the high cost of coal, the Sedalia Federation of Labor has recommended to Mayor J. L. Babcock that a municipal coal market be established.

By an agreement a trustee has been appointed for Thomas W. Cunningham, aged banker, who was brought from Chicago recently and since has been held by the sheriff at Joplin pending a sanity hearing. A deed of trust conveying all his property to the trustee was signed by Cunningham and agreed to by his attorneys and the citizens who organized to prevent the dissipation of Cunningham's estate. The insanity proceedings will be withdrawn.

The soda water business must be brought to a high state of perfection, because it is soon to take the place of the saloon of Missouri, according to delegates at the tenth annual convention of the Missouri Bottlers' association in Springfield.

An inspection of strawberry fields in the Ozark region indicates a greatly decreased production the coming season, the leading fruit growers say. The cause is the damage resulting from the prolonged drought last summer, which burned out the fields, and the unusually cold weather of the present winter.

The ordinance calling a special election in Springfield on February 20 for the purpose of voting on a proposal to issue bonds for the construction of a municipal lighting plant was held illegal by Circuit Judge Kirby.

R. L. Hixon, a merchant, committed suicide recently. His body was found suspended from a rafter in his barn. He was 50 years old. Ill-health is believed to have been the cause.

The old college building of the Ursuline convent at Arcadia was destroyed by fire recently. No one was injured. Fifty or sixty students who had rooms on the upper floors were at their classes on the first floor when the fire was discovered.

While walking along the railroad tracks near Burnham, a station on the Frisco south of Springfield, Mrs. Sarah Huertes, 80 years old, was struck by a passenger train and killed. A daughter, who accompanied her, narrowly escaped.

Six men were found dead in their rooms at St. Joseph recently, asphyxiated by gas from small heating stoves which went out while they slept.

A general rush of German-American people for naturalization, which began soon after the announcement of a break in diplomatic relations between this country and Germany, mounted to such proportions at St. Louis that it was found necessary to add five men to the corps of clerks at the naturalization bureau. There were eighty-eight applications during the day, many of the people standing in line for hours awaiting their turns. Of the applicants, 69 per cent were Germans and 30 per cent Austrians.

Macon and Macon county have endorsed the movement to raise \$10,000 in northeast Missouri for the development of the dairy industry. R. A. Guthrie, president of the Macon Commercial club, announced that section would do its part. F. W. Merrill, dairy expert, spoke at a meeting of farmers and business men. He said the dairy industry would restore the fertility of the soil and make the farmers lenders of money instead of borrowers.

Attacked by a wildcat while hunting opossums south of Marshall, Levy Bellingsly, an old fox hunter, killed the animal with an ax. The catamount was treed by the dogs and routed two of them while the possum hunters were attempting to dislodge it with poles. The animal weighed fifty pounds.

The last legal step toward leveling the Mineola hills, which have been the bone of contention since the cross state highway was established, was taken recently by the Montgomery county court when a sixty-foot right of way was purchased from Eli Brown, a farmer. Work of reducing the hills will begin early in the spring and the grade will be cut 5 per cent. The hills were the only really bad stretch in the highway between St. Louis and Kansas City.

Fire, swept by a 52-mile gale, caused damage estimated at half a million dollars and threatened to wipe out the business district east of Broadway to the Mississippi river at St. Louis recently.

Henry Ratcliff, 40 years old, was killed recently by an electric shock received at the Central laundry by carrying a gas pipe, the end of which touched a live wire.

Charles C. Atkins, a member of the Johnson County court, died of pneumonia recently at his home in Rosehill township. Judge Atkins was a farmer. He was elected to the county court from the western district two years ago and re-elected at the November election. He was 53 years old.

Armed guards have been placed on duty day and night at the Hercules and the Atlas powder plants, as a precautionary measure since the diplomatic break between the United States and Germany. So far there has been no disturbance.

A peace pact between the Kansas City Southern Railroad and about 2,500 employees was signed at Kansas City recently and a strike that had been ordered conditionally by members of four railroad brotherhoods was averted.

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## WHAT IS LAX-FOS

LAX-FOS is an improved Casaca A DIGESTIVE LAXATIVE—Pleasant to take. In LAX-FOS the Casaca is improved by addition of certain harmless chemicals which increase the efficiency of the Casaca, making it better than ordinary Casaca. LAX-FOS aids digestion; pleasant to take; does not grip or disturb stomach. Adapted to children and adults. Just try a bottle for constipation or indigestion. See.



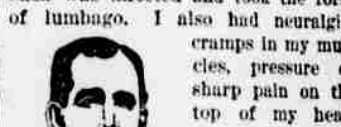
The Great Obstacle. "Darling, I want some loose change." "Sorry, pet, but money is tight just now."

SOAP IS STRONGLY ALKALINE and constant use will burn out the scalp. Cleanse the scalp by shampooing with "La Creole" Hair Dressing, and darken, in the natural way, those ugly, grizzly hairs. Price, \$1.00.—Adv.

Cupid does not take out a license when he goes hunting. The man of whom he makes game has to do that.

### A MINISTER'S CONFESSION

Rev. W. H. Warner, Myersville, Md., writes: "My trouble was scalding. My back was affected and took the form of lumbago. I also had neuralgia, cramps in my muscles, pressure or sharp pain on the top of my head, and nervous dizzy spells. I had other symptoms showing my kidneys were at fault, so I took Dodd's Kidney Pills. They were the means of saving my life. I write to say that your medicine restored me to perfect health." Bo sure and get "DODD'S," the name with the three D's for diseased, disordered, deranged kidneys; just as Rev. Warner did, no similarity named article will do.—Adv.



After a girl gets married she begins to lose interest in curl papers and love stories.

IMITATION IS SINCEREST FLATTERY but like counterfeit money the imitation has not the worth of the original. Insist on "La Creole" Hair Dressing—it's the original. Darkens your hair in the natural way, but contains no dye. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

SUSPENSE OVER AT LAST But Stammering Physician Gave Prospective Father a Few Moments of Extreme Uneasiness.

There is a stammering physician out in one of our suburbs. A short time ago, while on a case involving a new arrival, his infirmity led to a rather funny misapprehension.

The husband and prospective father, who, by the way, had set his heart on a son and heir, was nervous, fidgeting the library when the physician entered.

"Well, doctor," said the husband, forcing a smile, "is it twins?" "Triplets," began the doctor. "Triplets! Great Caesar!" "Quintuplets! Holy smoke!" "Non-no," cried the doctor. "Quintuplets! Holy smoke!" "Non-no," cried the doctor. "Quintuplets! Holy smoke!" "Non-no," cried the doctor. "Quintuplets! Holy smoke!"

Butterflies for Decoration. In Boston there is a woman who has transformed butterfly collecting into a commercial enterprise yielding handsome profits. For this woman's unusual line of trade a force of trained collectors, scattered over all parts of the world, is engaged in gathering no less than 700,000 specimens a year. Instead of these exquisite collections only, they are used chiefly for decorative purposes in a score of different ways by jewelers, florists, modistes and others.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Off the Purchase Price. "So Edith got a divorce from her husband, Lord De Broke. Any alimony?" "No, rebate."

A state-owned hydro-electric plant has been proposed for erection at Niagara Falls.

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